IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of)
Joe GRAY et al) Group Art Unit: 1807
Application No.: 08/487,974) Examiner: A. Marschel
Filed: June 7, 1995))
For: A METHOD OF DETECTING GENETIC TRANSLOCATIONS IDENTIFIED WITH CHROMOSOMAL ABNORMALITIES (as amended)))))

REPLY AND AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In complete response to the Official Action dated January 5, 1998, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly cancel claims 136 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Kindly amend claims 139, 144, 145 and 150 as follows:

139. (Amended) The method according to claim 133, wherein the BCR hybridization complex and the ABL hybridization complex are [no more] less than 1 micron from each other.